

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 03 2011

RE: S.B. No. 285  
S.D. 2

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred S.B. No. 285, S.D. 1, entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to provide Medicaid and QUEST health plan recipients with improved access to health care services.

Specifically, this measure:

- (1) Provides for telehealth services for Medicaid and QUEST patients by allowing the use of a mobile health van in counties with populations of less than two hundred fifty thousand; and
- (2) Requires the mobile medical van program operated by Kona community hospital to be funded through a partnership with a non-profit mutual benefit society operating in the State.

Your Committee received written comments in support of this measure from Jennifer Diesman, Vice President, Government Relations, Hawaii Medical Service Association; Howard Lee, President, Hawaii Association of Health Plans; and one private individual. Your Committee received comments on the measure from Patricia McManaman, Interim Director, Department of Human Services.

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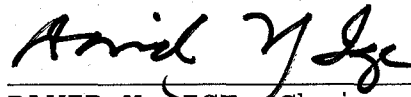
Your Committee finds that it is difficult to provide adequate health care services to rural areas, particularly in remote areas of the Big Island, which has the lowest population density in the State. Utilizing a mobile medical van to service Medicaid and QUEST members in such remote areas would provide great flexibility and faster medical attention to patients in need.

Your Committee has amended this measure by:

- (1) Changing the effective date to July 1, 2050, to facilitate further discussion on the measure; and
- (2) Making technical, nonsubstantive amendments for purposes of style, clarity, and consistency.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 285, S.D. 1, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Third Reading in the form attached hereto as S.B. No. 285, S.D. 2.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Ways and Means,

  
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DAVID Y. IGE, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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Bill / Resolution No.:* <b>SB 285, SD1</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HMS, WAM</b>	Date: <b>2-25-11</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on this measure. If so, then the previous decision was to: _____				
The Recommendation is: <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; align-items: flex-end;"> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended 2312</div> <div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments 2311</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Hold 2310</div> <div><input type="checkbox"/> Recommit 2313</div> </div>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
IGE, David Y. (C)	/			
KIDANI, Michelle N. (VC)	/			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	/			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	/			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	/			
ESPERO, Will	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
KIM, Donna Mercado	/			
KAHELE, Gilbert	/			
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				/
RYAN, Pohai	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N.	/			
WAKAI, Glenn	/			
SLOM, Sam	/			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: <span style="float: right;"><i>Michelle N. Kidani</i></span>				
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